s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v48)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 950, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 950 + 929.04 + 908.53 + 888.49 + 868.88 + 849.71 + 830.96 + 812.62 + 794.69 + 777.15$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 929.04 + 908.53 + 888.49 + 868.88 + 849.71 + 830.96 + 812.62 + 794.69 + 777.15 + 760$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(2) + 6(2)^{2} + 6(2)^{3} + \cdots + 6(2)^{86} + 6(2)^{87} + 6(2)^{88} + 6(2)^{89}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.